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Madison Navy League proudly presents the United States Coast Guard Band for a free concert in Madison on July 23, 2009.

For more information including images and background material on the band and interview contacts please contact:

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When: 7:00 p.m. Thursday, July 23, 2009

Where: Mitby Theatre at MATC

3550 Anderson St., Madison WI 53704

Admission: FREE (ticket required)
Website: MadisonNavyLeague.org

The Mitby Theatre will be Madison's swingingest spot when the United States Coast Guard Band takes the stage for this free performance. Expect to hear a great mix of music from composers like Bernstein, Gershwin, Ellington, John Williams and John Philip Sousa. If you need a little more swing in your step, the four-member Dixieland Jazz Band ensemble within the Coast Guard Band will be just what you've been waiting for. They perform classic jazz, blues, and rags with a "New Orleans" flavor.

Three members of the band hail from Wisconsin. They are: Andrew Sherwood, Milwaukee; Joel Flunker of Neenah and Amanda Baker of Germantown.

Representing the United States Coast Guard, the nation's oldest continuous seagoing service, this 55-member premier band is based at the Coast Guard Academy in New London, Connecticut. The band has performed at some of the most prestigious venues in the nation, including the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, Lincoln Center, and Carnegie Hall. It has participated in historic events including: the American Bicentennial; World War II Fiftieth Anniversary events in England; and inaugural celebrations for every President since Herbert Hoover. Visit the Band's website

For ticket information, visit MadisonNavyLeague.org or call 608-204-9876.